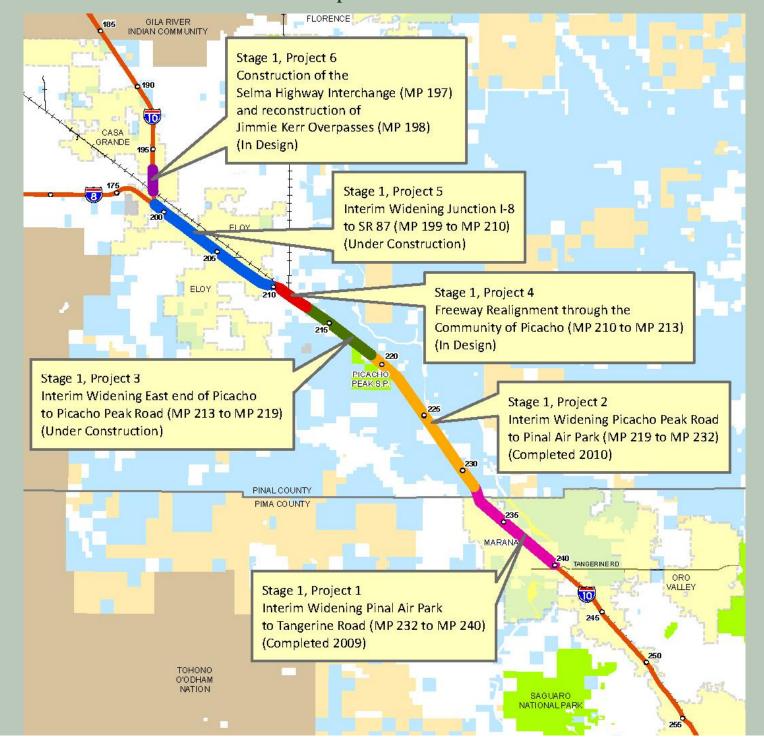




Interim Widening Projects

ADOT has approved six projects along I-10 to expand the freeway to three lanes in each direction between I-8 and Tangerine Road. These are referred to as Stage I of implementation of the Preferred Plan. The limits and current status are shown on the map below:



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Junction I-8 to Tangerine Road

Tonight's Meeting:

- > 5:00 PM Sign in and viewing of displays
- > 5:30 PM Presentation highlighting study recommendations
- > 6:00 PM Question and comment period
- > 6:20 PM "Open House" format
- > 7:00 PM Adjourn

Please share your comments with us tonight or by:

> Mail

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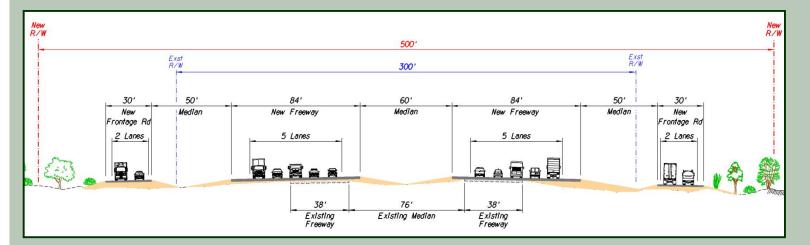
Web: www.i10tucsondistrict.com/i8totang2

Comments must be submitted to ADOT by 5:00 PM on October 14th.

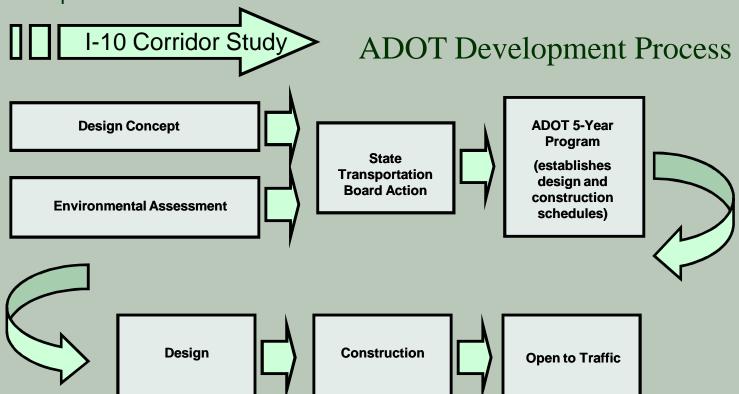
You are encouraged to provide your comments on these proposals.

This long range plan includes widening the freeway, improving existing interchanges, locations for new interchanges and parallel one-way frontage roads on each side of the freeway.

- > Expand the existing freeway to five lanes in each direction
- > Maximize future expansion options with an open median
- Continuous one-way frontage roads on both sides of the freeway



This study defines the Design Concept for the I-10 Corridor and documents the Environmental Assessment, however this is only the first step of the ADOT Development Process.

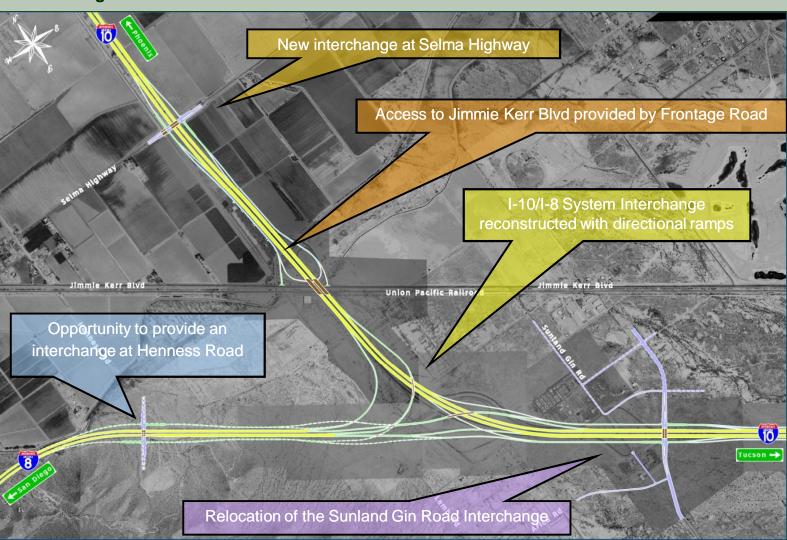


I-10/I-8 System Interchange Area (MP 196 to 200)

Development of a long range plan (for the I-10/I-8 System Interchange area has been completed to address the following issues:

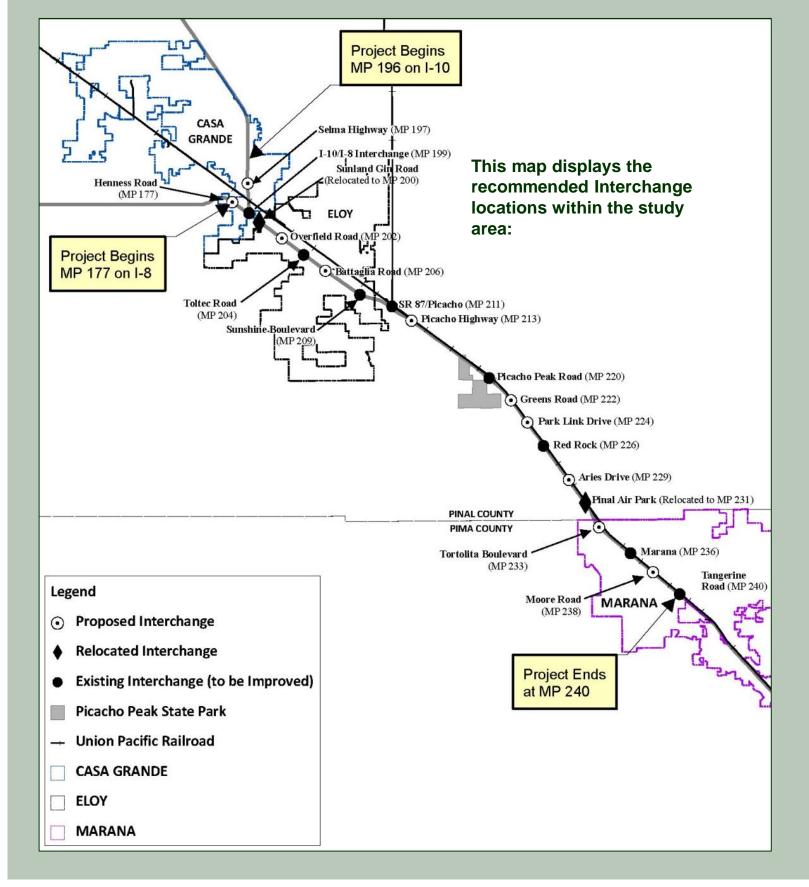
- > Future traffic volumes are expected to exceed the current capacity of this interchange
- ➤ The existing loop ramp for eastbound I-8 to westbound I-10 traffic is not consistent with current design standards
- > Spacing between the I-10/I-8 system interchange and adjacent interchanges is insufficient for anticipated traffic volumes
- > The interchange is planned to allow for a future interchange at Henness Road

The map below displays the recommended improvements to the I-10/I-8 system interchange:



Recommended Interchange Locations

Access to interstate facilities is restricted to certain locations; vehicles can only access the highway at interchanges. The locations of future traffic interchanges recommended by this study are shown on the map below.



Environmental Assessment

This study included an environmental process that followed the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The results of this process are documented in an Environmental Assessment (EA) which includes the results of the environmental studies completed. The EA includes a description of the social, economic, environmental, and other impacts of the preferred plan which is documented in a Design Concept Report (DCR).



The Draft EA is available tonight for viewing, online at www.i10tucsondistrict.com/i8totang2, and at these locations:

Marana: Wheeler Taft Abbett, Sr. Library 7800 N. Schisler Drive, Tucson, AZ 85743 520-594-5200

Picacho: Picacho Post Office

6546 E. Camino Adelante, Picacho, AZ

85141

520-466-7748

Picacho Peak State Park: Visitor's Center

15520 E. Picacho Peak Road

Picacho, AZ 85141

Eloy: Eloy Public Library 100 E. 7th St., Eloy, AZ 85131

520-466-3814

Casa Grande: Casa Grande Main Library 449 N. Dry Lake St., Casa Grande, AZ 85122

520-421-8710

Comments related to the Draft EA may be submitted to ADOT until 5PM on October 14th. The recommendations of this study will not be finalized until after all public comments are reviewed and analyzed.

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I-10 alignment through the Community of Picacho

The Preferred plan proposes the freeway be realigned along the UPRR within the community of Picacho. The existing freeway corridor would be removed, providing an opportunity to redevelop this area of land.



Advantages of the recommended alignment through Picacho:

- ➤ Improves freeway safety by reducing the number of curves along I-10.
- ➤ Improves roadside safety by eliminating a substantial length of elevated freeway.
- Removing existing embankment eliminates most visual impacts of the freeway.
- ➤ Relocates the freeway along the UPRR mainline which consolidates a major freeway and major railroad into one corridor.

Si le gustaría recibir información en español, favor de comunicarse con Paki Rico al (520) 327-6077. Gracias.